



# Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department



*The role of public health is to:*

**PROMOTE** community-wide wellness,

**PREVENT** disease, and

**PROTECT** the community from infectious diseases,  
environmental hazards, and epidemics

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# Mobile Vendor Update

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

March 22, 2011

**Presenters**

**Shannon Jones, Acting Director**

**David Lopez, Acting Assistant Director, Public Health and Community Services  
Division**

# Mobile Vending Ordinance Passed by Council

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- Recommendations Adopted by Council on September 23, 2010
  - Documentation of CPF aka Commissary Use (monthly log)
  - Proof of Texas Sales and Use Tax permit
  - Itinerary for Truck Routes
  - Written Permission to Use Restrooms at Work Site
  - Certification of Central Preparation Facilities aka Commissary, Notarized
  - Fire Department Inspection Report

# Education and Outreach

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- Types of outreach conducted
  - Phone consultations
  - In-person consultations
  - Word of mouth among vendors
  - Website information distribution
  - Applications/guidelines for Health and Fire are now available in English and Spanish
- Permit activities (Oct 2010 – Mar 2011):
  - Number of applications – 370
  - Number of permits issued - 314
  - Number of outstanding permits – 56
  - Revenue generated - \$82,565

# Inter-agency Cooperation

- HHSD now works in conjunction with the Austin Fire Department, Texas Comptroller's office, Travis County Appraisal District and Austin Water Utility
  - Education outreach was conducted by Austin Water Utility last September. Target audiences included food establishments, mobile food vendors, liquid waste haulers and local car wash facilities. Information provided discussed proper wastewater disposal.

# Web Links

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- Austin Health & Human Services,  
Environmental & Consumer Health Unit
  - [http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/health/consumer\\_health.htm](http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/health/consumer_health.htm)
- Austin Fire Department, Fire/Code  
Inspections
  - [http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/fire/fire\\_inspect.htm](http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/fire/fire_inspect.htm)